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Personal transformation can and does have global effects. As we go, so goes the world, for the world is us. The revolution that will save the world is ultimately a personal one. –Marianne Williamson

Editor's Note

It was no mere coincidence that out of all the universities we could have gone to, my sister and I came to Saint Leo. Three years ago leaving home for university was heartbreaking but now leaving what I have known as home for the last three years is somewhat difficult. Working as the editor for the Golden Legend Yearbook for the past two years has been rewarding. I have not only learnt to take more pride in the work I do, but I have learned to work as part of and lead a team.

As the physical aspects of Saint Leo have dramatically transformed over the years, so has my life. I have become someone I hardly recognize. Teachers such as Dr. Iain Duffy made me realize the value of working hard for what I wanted because in the real world, success will not just be handed to you. The support system that Saint Leo has offered through its faculty and staff is invaluable.

So, I hope that this yearbook serves to remind you of not only how Saint Leo's campus has transformed, but how your life has transformed since being at Saint Leo.

Congratulations Class of 2008!

Renell David
Editor

From the President's Desk

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Saint Leo's transformation over the last eleven years was described by one of the leading authors and consultants on higher education as one of the most impressive in several decades. We cannot evaluate how Saint Leo's transformation compares with other schools', but we do know Saint Leo has come a long, long way in the last eleven years. Eleven years ago Saint Leo was struggling in many ways, enrollments on campus had declined to a three decade low of 700, the campus buildings were in general disrepair, and many other problems were evident to the most casual visitor. The institution's faculty and staff rallied around a plan to transform Saint Leo in every respect except two critical ones: our Catholic, student centered mission and our Benedictine values.

We transformed the academic programs: twice, improving every students' liberal arts foundation, most recently developing the LINK Program to improve even more so our students' ability to write, compute, think critically, act ethically, solve problems, understand their world in all its manifestations and do much more. We strengthened every major while adding a few. We also developed several new graduate programs in business, education, criminal justice, and theology. Most important to our academic development has been the growth of our faculty doubling the number and enhancing the breadth and depth of expertise and PhDs. since I came. We added twenty-seven additional full-time faculty just the last two years. Every student graduates today with increased knowledge, better skills and a set of six values that all employers and people of good will seek and celebrate.

All aspects of student life and services have also developed, expanded and improved. There are more activities, clubs, cultural opportunities and organizations and students participating in them. New leadership development programs teach students critical skills. The number of fraternities and sororities increased and the number of Greeks increases every year as well. We added eight intercollegiate athletic teams and ten of our thirteen NCAA post season appearances have come since I arrived. A much higher percentage of our athletes excel in the classroom and graduate, meaning more athletes do better on the field and in the classroom. University Ministry has also developed and expanded. Staff has increased, a music ministry added and more students participate. SERVE trips started in University Ministry and this year we have seven trips and almost 100 students and faculty involved in Spring Break service trips here and internationally.

And, of course, the campus itself provides the clearest evidence of Saint Leo University's transformation. The six new buildings that we have built since 2003 only tell part of the story. A campus master plan designed in 1999 has been meticulously followed and has transformed the campus from one with an attractive setting but no plan or distinction to one distinguished by Spanish missionary architecture and a classical organization of buildings, roads and landscaping around a campus quadrangle from the Abbey Church to Alumni and Roderick Halls that promotes our mission, values and vision and impresses everyone who arrives here. All of these improvements and many, many more, large and small contributed to an increase in campus students by 1000 and a tripling of resident students bringing more life and vitality to our campus. Our students are more diverse in every way: geographically, ethnically, religiously. Our students are better prepared, more engaged in their learning, the campus and the community. They represent our values and truly make our University great.

God bless the Class of 2008 and all of our students.

Dr. Arthur F. Kirk, Jr.
President

Yearbook Advisor's Reflection

I started working at Saint Leo University in July 1996 with Monsignor Mouch as Saint Leo's president. Thinking back from 1996 to the spring of 2008, it is amazing to see the transformation that has occurred at Saint Leo! When I began working here, we had an international student population of about 50 students, and today, the international population is 198. When Dr.. Kirk arrived on campus in the spring of 1997, he told us that if the University was to survive, we would have to work hard and change our way of doing things, but if we worked hard, changed and hung in with the University, we would see Saint Leo become something that we could only dream about. Today, this dream is becoming reality. Still, we make sure that the students remain at the heart of our dream. If we do this and stay true to our Benedictine values, then Saint Leo will continue to flourish and be a home away from home for our students; a place that I too am proud to call home.

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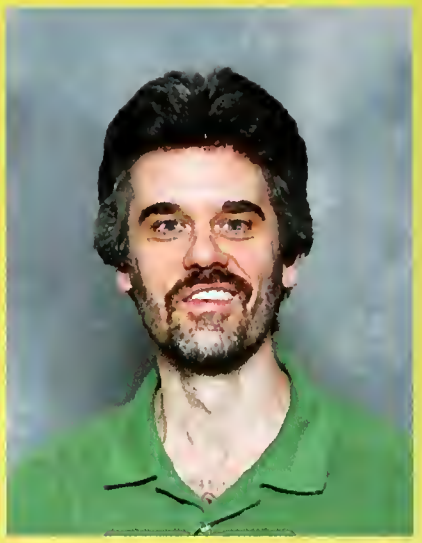

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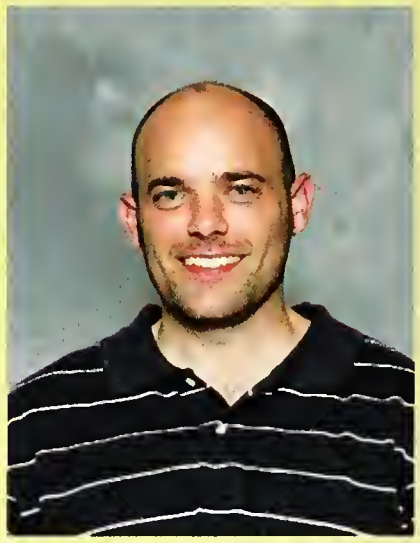

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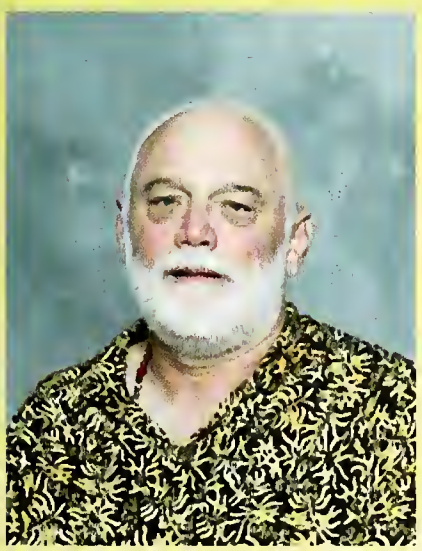

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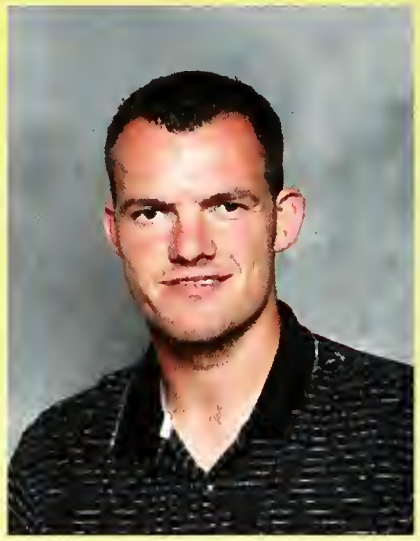

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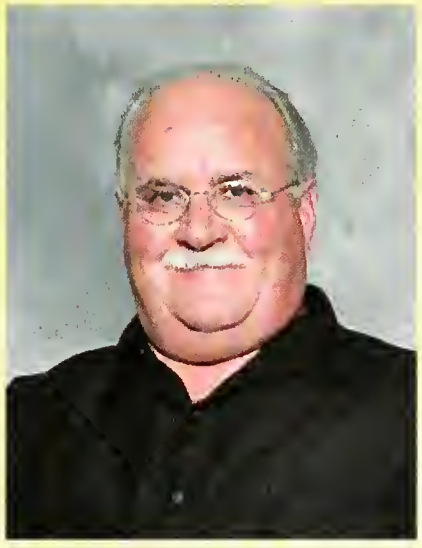

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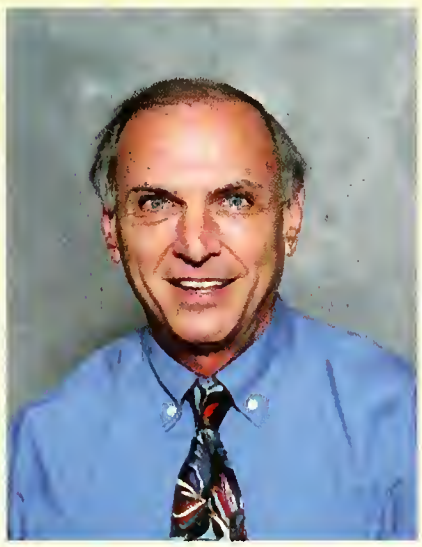

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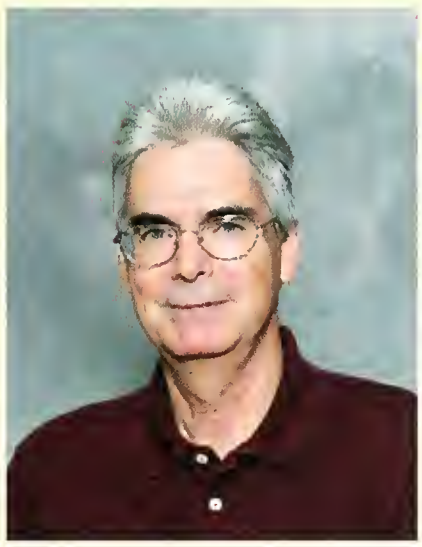

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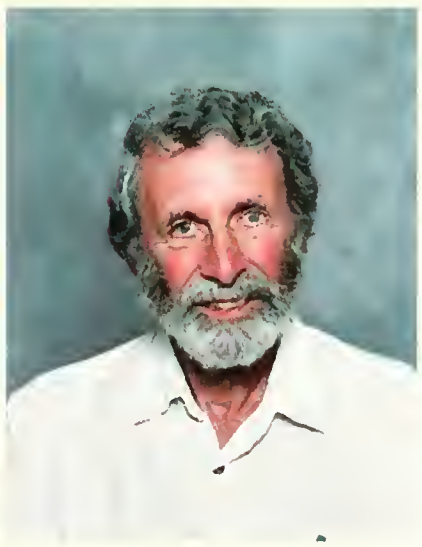

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Let your professors write here

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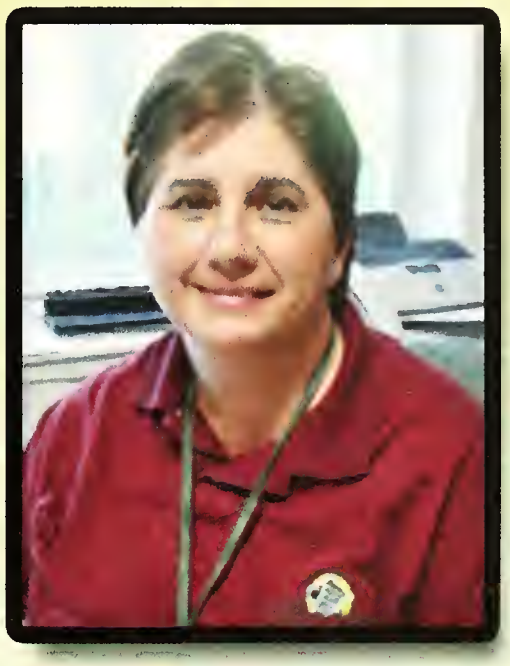
"I first planned on majoring in Computer Science, because a major had to be chosen as a foreign student. After my first programming class, I decided that Computer Science wasn't for me. I took a Calculus class and my professor Dr. Butcher influenced me to become a university professor. I received my BA from Kean niversity in New Jersey and went to University of Hawaii-Monoa for my MA and PhD."

-Monika Vo



"I planned on majoring in Business in college. Following that, I started as a substitue teacher. Beacuse being a substitute teacher is unstable, I accepted a job here at Saint Leo University. Currently I am the Student Financial Services Senior Coordinator."

-Rebecca Smith

"I first majored in Geology and worked for three years as a seismologist. As a seismologist, I was introduced to programming. I took a leave of absence from Texas Instruments to pursue an MA in Computer Science from the University of Texas. Afterwards, I received a job from IBM in Florida. I decided to work as a part-time adjunct, for family reasons and to obtain a PhD, and then went full time at Saint Leo as a CIS instructor."

-Audrey Gendreau

"I came to Saint Leo University as an undecided major. Through work study, I attained a job as a Student Services Coordinator. I like the job as it was easygoing and is a great environment to work in. I am currently planning to atttain a BA in Computer Science."

-John Steele

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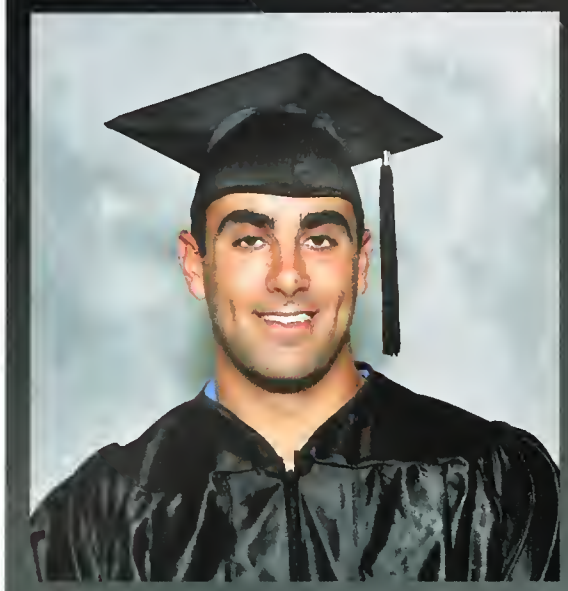
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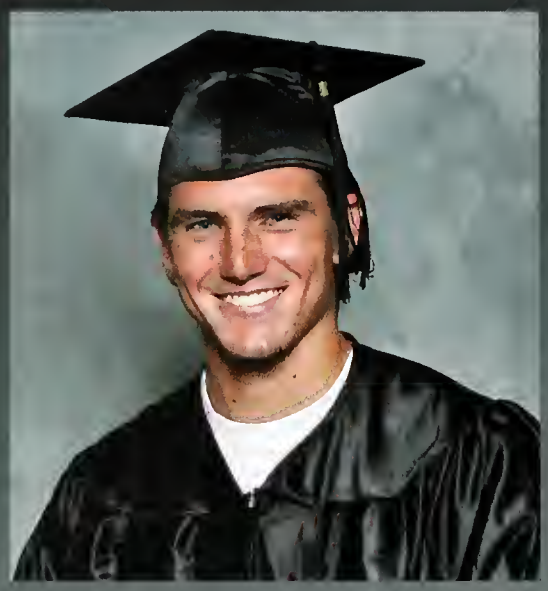
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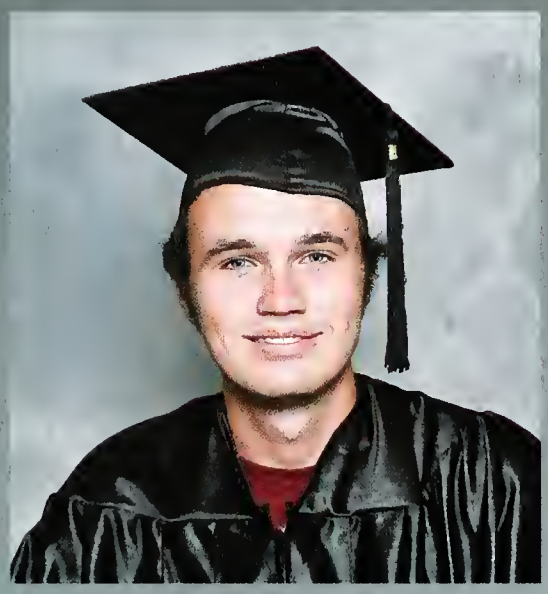
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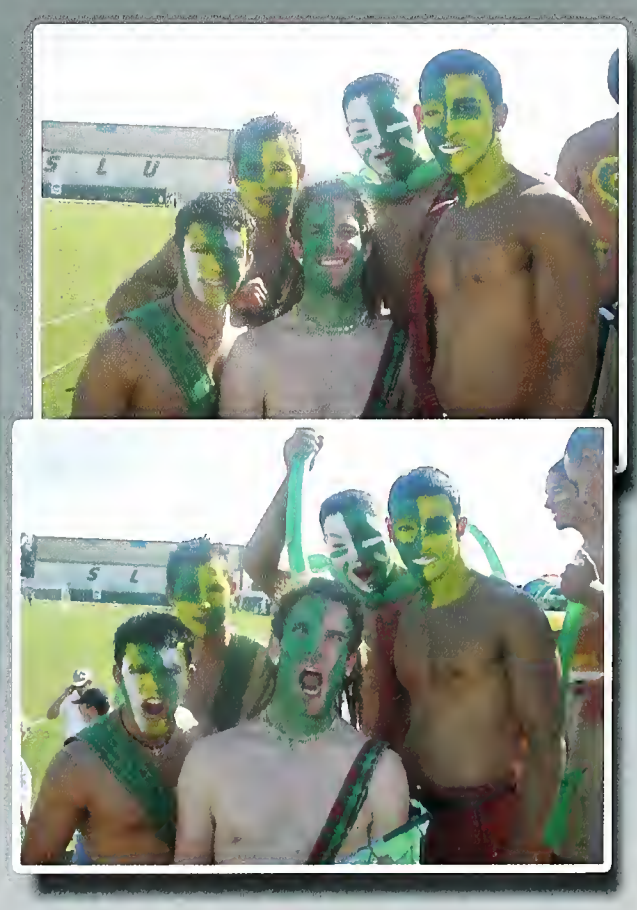
Funniest Moment

"During one of my Spring Mission Trips, I watched my friends tackle the high ropes course. It was the funniest thing to see them stumble, fall, and hang 60 ft. above ground."

--Alex Zic



"My funniest moment was when we went to cheer on the men's soccer team in homemade kilts and painted faces. We were imitating a scene from Braveheart."

--Daniel Martin

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"Coming to Saint Leo, I planned on majoring in Psychology. Afterwards, I decided to change my major to Marine Biology and further my studies by going to veterinary school. Now, I am majoring in Mathematics and plan to get a job with the military. Later, I plan on going back to school to study Marine Biology."

-Katrina Errico

"I first planned on majoring in Biology and work in medical technology. However, the classes weren't what I expected. I've since changed my major to International Hospitality and Tourism. After graduation, I plan on working in hotel marketing and advertising."

-Tyrell Johnson

"I planned on majoring in Biology to be an anesthesiologist. I changed my mind after working with student involvement and became a CAB assistant. Now, I'm majoring in Business Marketing. Then I will either go to graduate school, get a job at a marketing firm or join my uncle's record label."

-Julian Celifie

"I started with a double major in Religion and Criminal Justice. Then I switched to Psychology and Religion. I changed majors because I wanted to do other things and more interesting challenges. My final majors are Psychology and Criminology and I plan to attend law school in Boston on a full scholarship after graduation."

-Maya Dominguez

"When I started at Saint Leo, I planned on double majoring in Criminology and Communications. I changed majors because during my freshman year, there was no Criminology major here. At a career fair, I learned that Criminal Justice was not required for law school. Now, my double majors are in English and Communications Management. After attending Optional Practical Training, I intend to go to law school and do some journalism on the side."

-Avril Thomas

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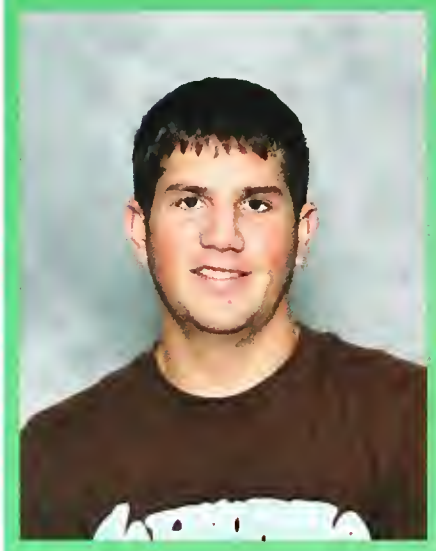
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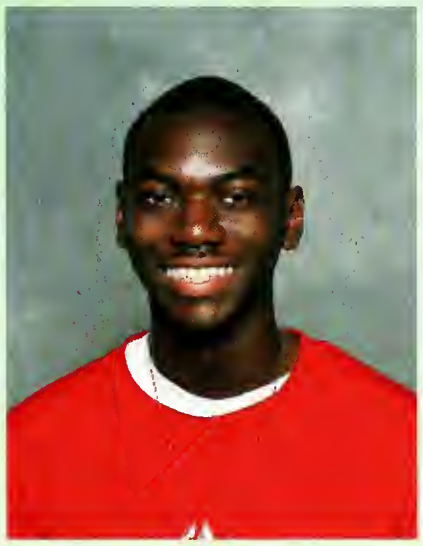

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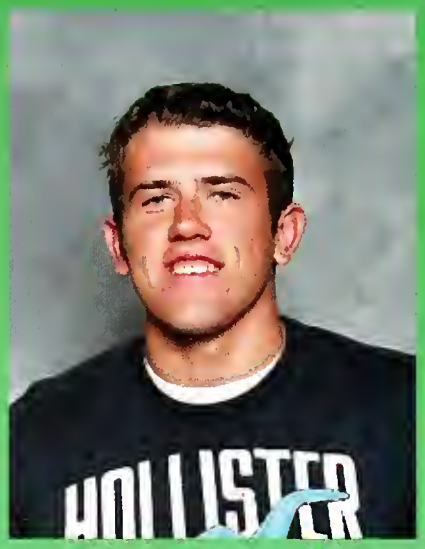

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Daniel Salahuddin

Rani-Kai Samuda

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Pamela Savoia

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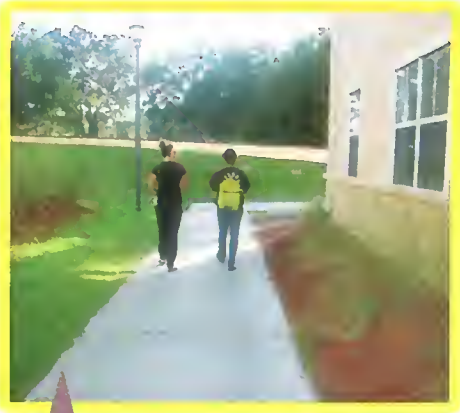

SNEAK PEEK
INSIDE ROOM 4210

This sneak peek takes us into the Apartments for a look in Ashely Nunes' room. You can't help but think chic by glancing at her stylish decorum.

Housed on the waterfront of Lake Jovita, the Apartments are the Hamptons of Saint Leo University. Inspired by Spanish architecture, this residence area allows students an out of dormitory experience with an off-campus twist. With the benefits of a personal room, a full kitchen, and a scenic view; the Apartments are every student's luxurious dream.

Apartments 1&2

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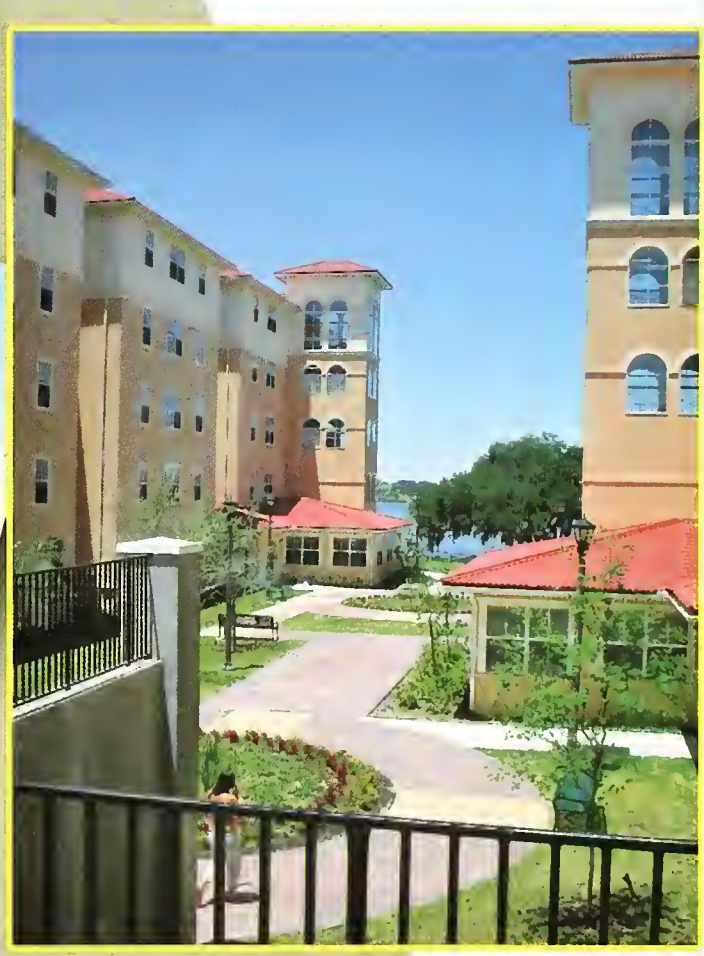
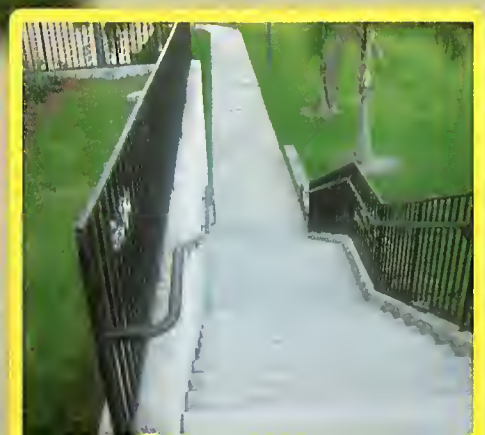
Apartments 3&4





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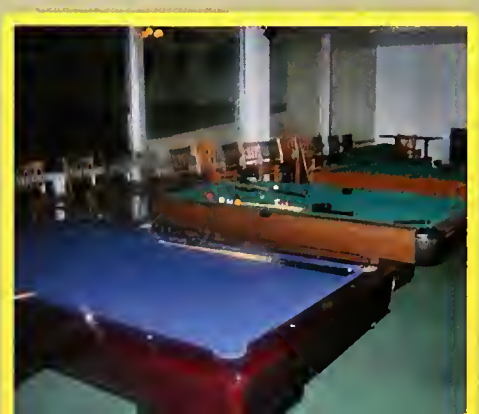
Marmion



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The dormitories of Marmion and Snyder are home to a majority of the incoming Freshmen here at Saint Leo. These two buildings are connected by the Lion's Den, which hosts a variety of functions as well as accommodating everyday entertainment with lush couches, two wide-screened televisions, and a multitude of games from billiards to foozball. These are the memories that take us back to where it all started.

SNEAK PEEK
INSIDE ROOM 365

Pretty in pink is how Tamara Marsh thinks for the decor on her side of the room. And who lives in a pineapple under the sea? Rani-Kai Samuda does!

Snyder

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Benoit

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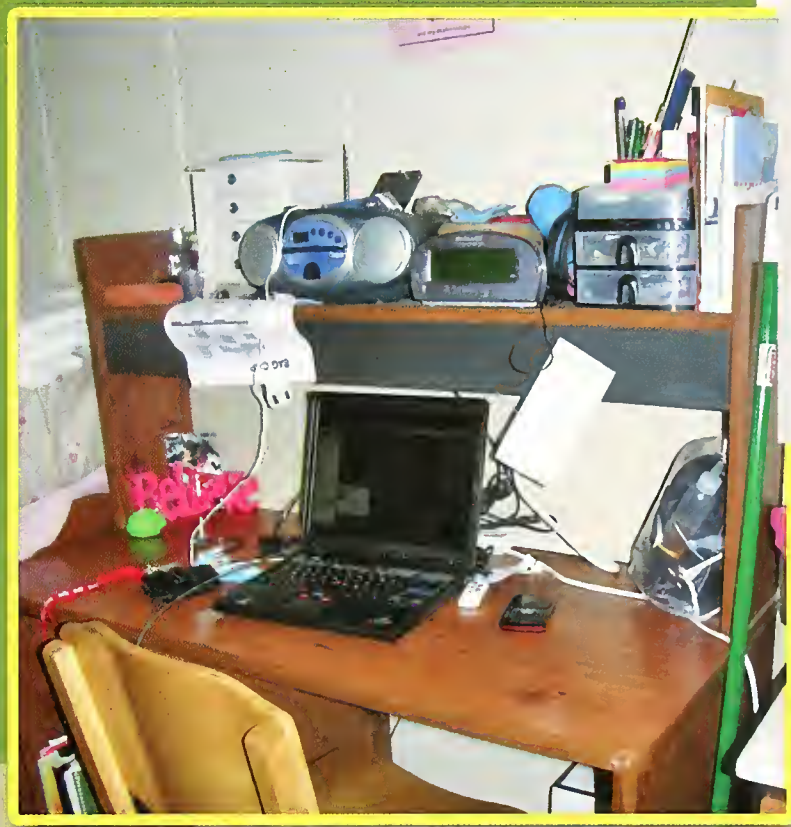
Top of the line vending machines, sweet communal bathrooms, an entertainment area for endless ping-pong matches or a get-a-way for a quiet study session on comfortable leather couches. Don't miss out on this opportunity. Current residents of Benoit and Henderson can tell you how great living here really is!

SNEAK PEEK
INSIDE ROOM 114

Sophomore Simone Henry shows off her room in Benoit



Henderson

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SNEAK PEEK
INSIDE ROOM 4210

The residence halls of Alumni and Roderick provide students with an apartment style living facility. They offer personal rooms with a refrigerator, a spacious common area, and a convenience of access to the majority of the campus in a few short steps. This is a prime living space for those upperclassmen ready to be out of the dorms.

Bright colors light up Nichole Tyler's room that shows the kid at heart and offers the comfort of home.

Roderick

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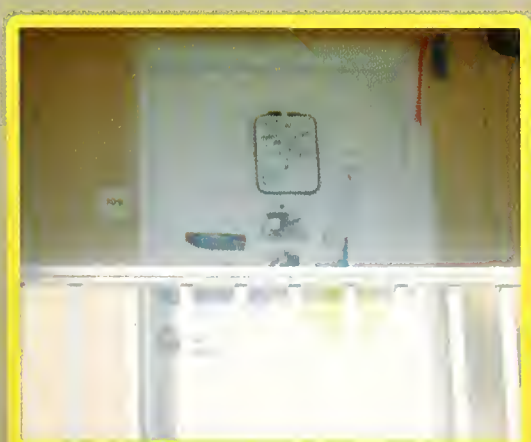
Alumni



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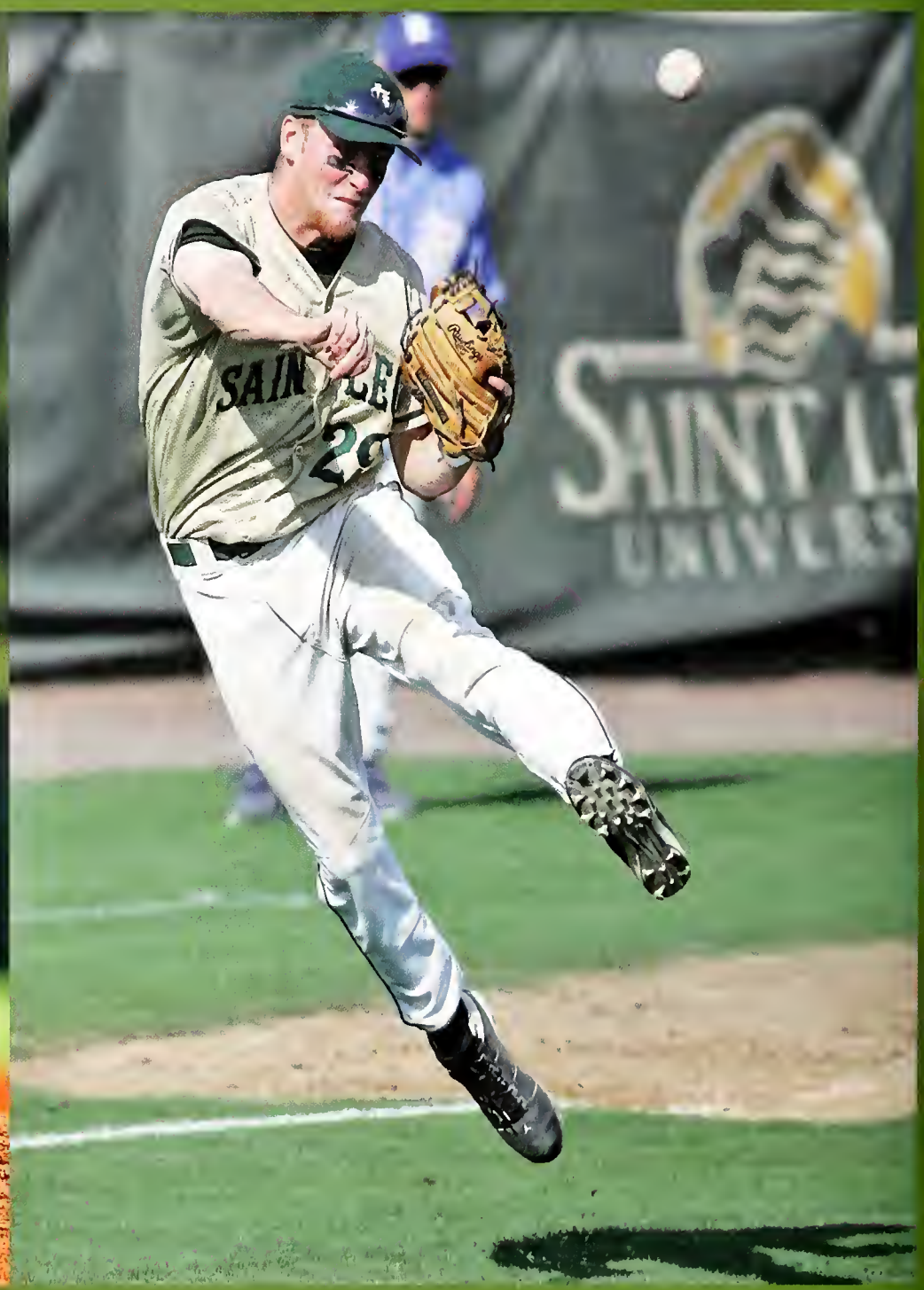

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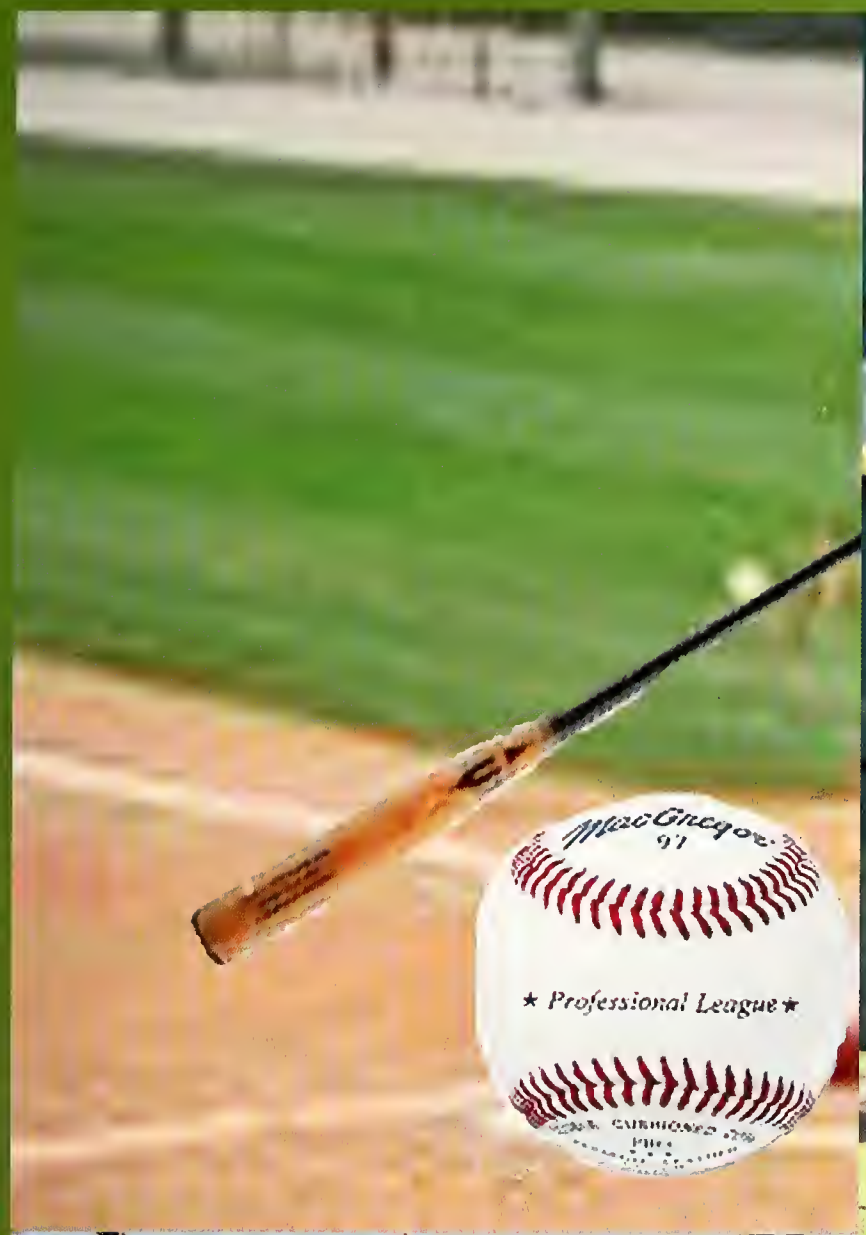

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HEO

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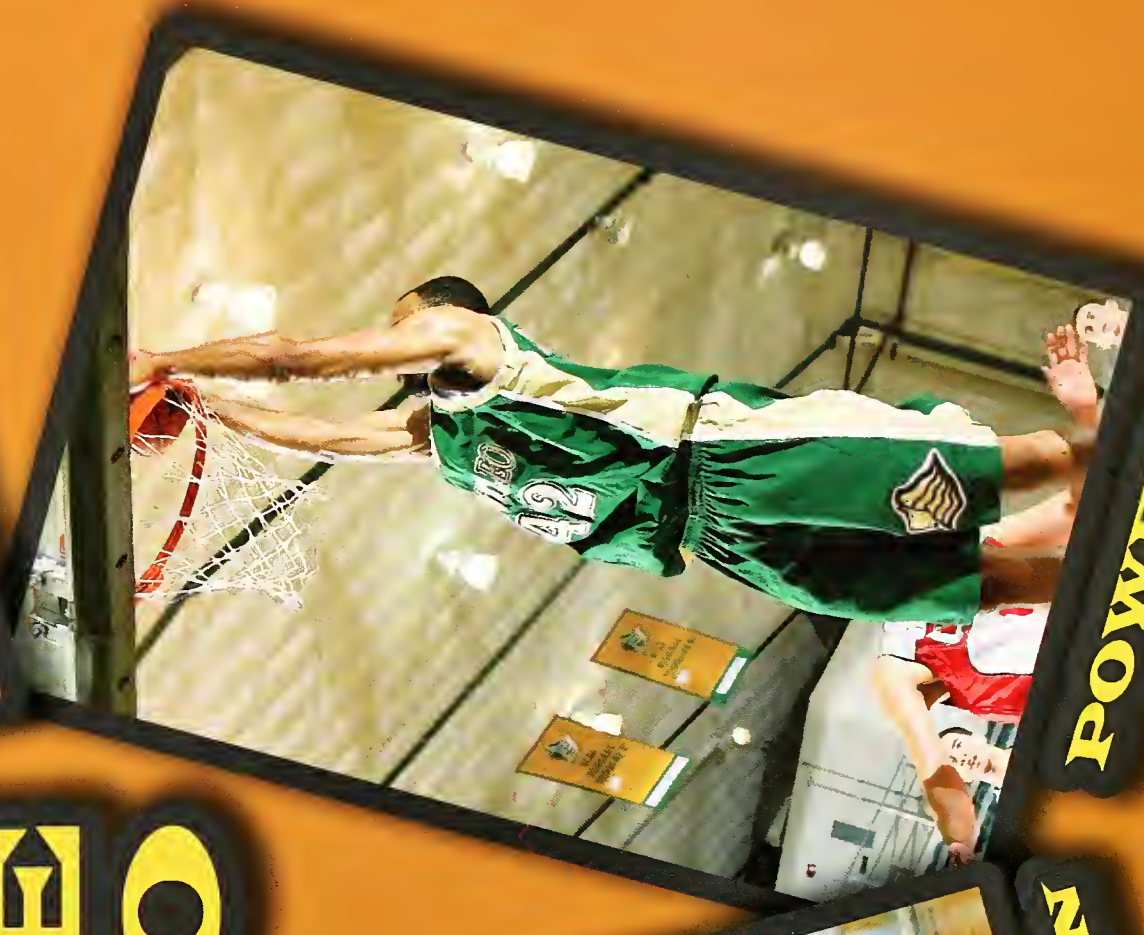

POWER

REACH

PRECISION

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LEO STYLE

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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Team Roster: Sabrina Schmitt, Roni Carithers, Kiara Bradley, Latasha Lawrence, Caitlind Cooper, Whitley Washington, Melissa Guerero, Mo'Nae Robinson, Lauren Lee, Monique Reynard, Amanda Holloway, Nichole Tyler, Joanna Bussa, Dominique Daniels.
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MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

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Team Roster:
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WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

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MEN'S GOLF

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WOMEN'S GOLF

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TEAM ROSTER:
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MEN'S SOCCER TEAM

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SOFTBALL

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WOMEN'S SWIMMING TEAM

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HEAD COACH: Cyle Sage.

ASSISTANT COACH: Lisa Whidden

MEN'S TENNIS

Team Members:

Pablo Chavez,
Michael delPriore,
Ali El Naamani,
David Farinez,
Saif Noorsumar,
Andrew Sheets,
Brandon Stacey,
Diego Timoteo,
Neil Watson

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WOMEN'S TENNIS

Team Members:

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Taylor Cleaves,
Shaena Keefe,
Lara King,
Alison Luthman
Veronica Queen
Gina Schifano
Asmaa Tazi

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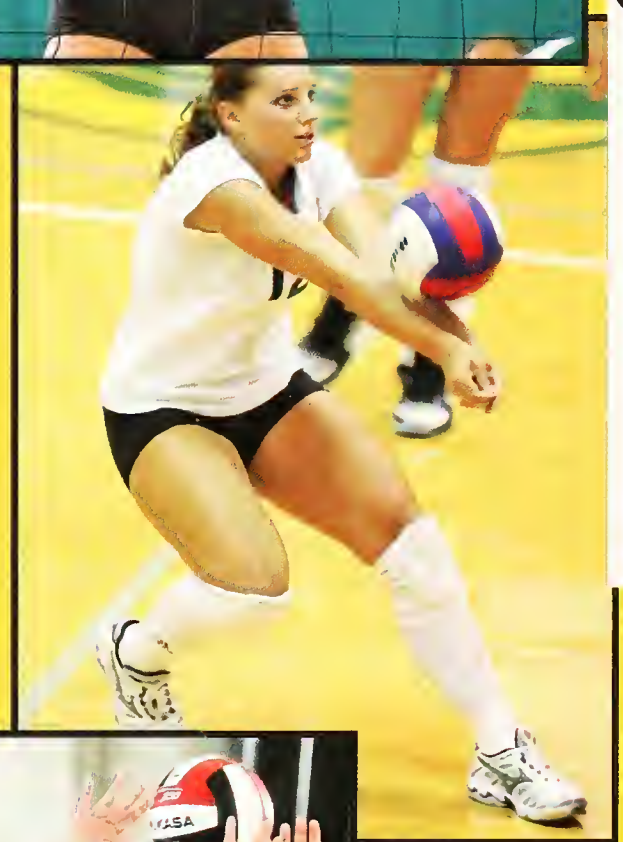

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the president

What sparked your interest to become senior class president?
In my freshman year, I didn't even expect to be sophomore president much less senior class president. I wasn't even interested in SGU. I remember sitting in the cafeteria one day and saying to my best friend, Jen, "Do you want to run with me?" We did a Forrest Gump kind of campaign.

How has being class president helped you develop?
After being elected, I developed a passion for leadership and a desire to make people happy by spending the funds allocated to them wisely. When you are a senior, you focus a lot on using your budget wisely, since it costs money to do everything.

What are you majoring in?
I am majoring in Social Work.

What are your plans after graduation?
My plans for after graduation are to follow God's will in whatever I do. Some ideas of where that maybe is to go to Graduate School for my Masters in Social Work, or to first get some experience in the working field. My heart is in social work, singing, and my Catholic faith; so it will be interesting to see how God uses my talents to serve His people.

mary major

the runner

Why did you choose to run cross country?
In high school, I wasn't an athlete, but I played soccer in my sophomore year and continued running for conditioning. My boyfriend, at the time, told me to try out for track and field, and cross country. I never knew that I would like it so much.

What is the most enjoyable part about running for you?
It takes your mind off of everyday stress and takes you to somewhere peaceful.

What are you majoring in?
I am majoring in Biology.

What are your plans after graduation?
I plan on attending the University of Miami for nursing school. I want to specialize in surgery as an ER nurse. Anatomy and physiology are interesting to me as well because it is amazing how the body works.

janette flores

the editor

Why did you first join the yearbook staff here at Saint Leo University?
At the job fair, Janis Lockhart gave me a list of jobs and the only job open was yearbook.
How did you get the position of editor?
After working on the Yearbook staff for a year, a lot of staff members left and the previous editor, Jonathan Warner, chose me to take over as editor.
What are the most memorable moments (best/worst) that happened to you in yearbook?
The worst moment was the stress during this past summer from not having the yearbook done and working all summer to get it completed. The best moment definitely is working with the staff for this year's yearbook. I have a more dedicated and hardworking staff.
What are some difficulties people may not know about being an editor?
Trying to provide a social environment where people can have fun while doing their job and also have people realize the seriousness of meeting deadlines.
What are you majoring in?
I am majoring in Biology.
What are your plans after graduation?
I plan on going to work during the summer and then attending John Hopkins Medical University in 2009.

renell david

the accountant

What are you studying at SLU?
I am majoring in Accounting.
What interests you the most in Accounting?
Accounting incorporates reading, analyzing, and interpreting different materials. It is challenging to critically read information and then compute the data.
What do you hope to do in accounting?
Ultimately, I want to become a corporate lawyer. Accounting is beneficial in reaching this goal because it is the background to mergers and acquisitions.
What are your plans after graduation?
I plan on applying for jobs to gain experience in accounting; then apply to the law schools of University of Chicago, Northwestern University, and New York University.

rhenese herbert

the nurse

Why do you want to pursue becoming a nurse practitioner?
When I was younger, my best friend got into an accident. My dad and I went to help those who were in the accident, and from then I wanted to help people. Also, all the medical advances make the field interesting.

What do you hope to do by being a nurse?
I want to help people no matter what the cost, especially those who are in need of medical help.

What are you studying at Saint Leo?
I'm majoring in Biology and minoring in Sociology.

What are your plans after graduation?
I plan to attend the University of South Florida for a Master's Degree in Nursing.

sasha wright

the scholar

What are you majoring and minoring in?
I'm majoring in Biology and Environmental Science. I'm minoring in Chemistry and Mathematics.

What is your motivation for wanting to learn so much?
I believe knowledge is power and I wanted to keep my schedule full or on overload to make the most out of my educational experience.

Was it as hard and time consuming as it seems?
It was not as bad as you think. You just need to be realistic with your abilities, set goals, and then do whatever it takes to achieve them.

What were your favorite classes/teachers?
I really enjoyed tennis with Crosby and math with Dr. Vo but there weren't any classes I didn't enjoy.

What are your plans after graduation?
Ultimately I want to be a reconstructive plastic surgeon, but I have a lot of other interests so I am considering doing other things before medical school.

dane gruenebaum

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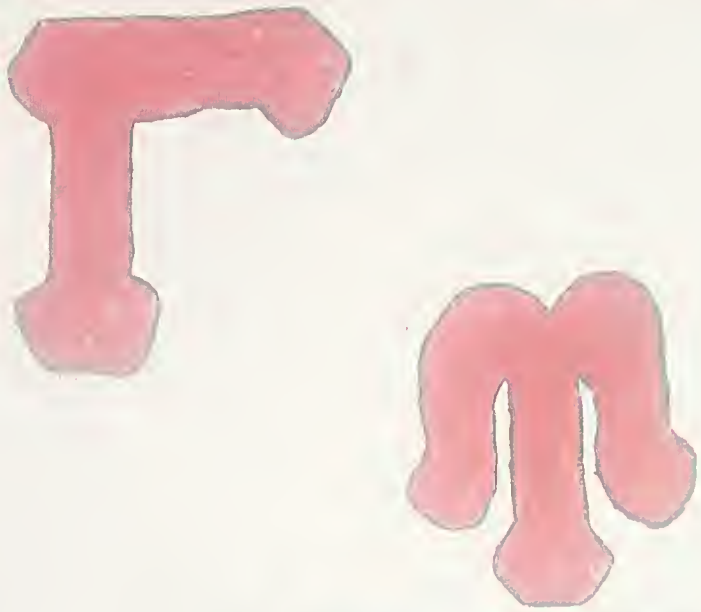
Marie

Allison

Gamma Upsilon

Jaci · Jennifer · Samantha · Tatum



Heather · Abi · Deirdre

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ΣΣΣ

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FLOWER:
PURPLE VIOLET

COLORS:
ROYAL PURPLE
AND WHITE

JEWEL: PEARL

SYMBOL:
SAILBOAT SYMBOLIZES CONTINUAL FORWARD MOTION, NEVER MOVING BACKWARD, BUT PROGRESSING TOWARDS ITS DESTINATION

MOTTO: FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH

Past Tri Sigma:

"I have been a part of Sigma, Sigma, Sigma for three years. Presently we have eight members. I wouldn't say that the club has gone through any drastic changes. Our goal is to dispose of the stigmatism against Greek sororities of being party animals and alcoholics. We are a social organization, yes, but we are not just about drinking and partying. We have also done philanthropic activities. Currently, we are doing "Booboo Bunnies" for children in different Hospitals. We have done movie nights and have had various debates on alcohol, drug addictions, and physical abuse. Thus, we are committed to being close sisters and to help foster healthier lifestyles for Greek life." -Ruth Chappell

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Present Tri Sigma:

Recruitment Event-2008

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THETA PHI ALPHA

1912

OFFICERS 2007-2008:

PRESIDENT- NIKKI COLLINS
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SCHOLARSHIP- STACY VASTA
SOCIAL- SHELLEY PETERSON
RISK MANAGER- KIRA DUNN

Theta Phi Alpha

Founded: August 30, 1912 (1912-08-30) (age 95) (University of Michigan, (Ann Arbor, Michigan)
Type: Social

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Motto: Nothing great is ever achieved without much enduring

Colors: Blue, Gold and Silver

Symbol: Compass

Flower :White Rose

Mascot: Penguin

New Recruit Member- 2008

From top to bottom: Activities Fair, Alpha Auction, Res. Life and Fraternity Softball game, Ice cream Social and Fraternity basketball game.

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ΑΦΑ

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated was established in 1906. The Rho Xi Chapter at Saint Leo University currently has 3 members, including, Keiron Timothy (Sr), James Cummings (Jr) and Clinton "CT" Thomas (Jr).

TKE

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Tau Kappa Epsilon
Founded: 10 January, 1899
Where: Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington, Illinois
This chapter was received at Saint Leo University on 27 April, 2007.

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TKE Officers

Prytanis: Justin Donnelley
Epiprytanis: Chad Kinney
Crysopholes: Christopher Stanzione
Grammateaus: Alan Borock
Histor: Derek Molina
Hypophedes: Wade Morriss
Hegemon: Scott Delahunt
Pylortes: Philip Vallido
Judicial Board Chief Justice: Jason Howard
Social Chair: Jason Howard
Athletics Chair: Lou Trocchio
Rush Chair: Joe Peplinski
Fundraising Chair: George Smith
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ΚΑΨ

Est. 1911

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Incorporated

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Kappa Theta
Fraternity Incorporated

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Brotherhood
Respect
Unity
Leadership

Kappa Theta Fraternity Incorporated was founded on March 16, 1967. The chapter's president is Henry Herrea. The fraternity's colors are red and blue. Their philanthropy is the Knights of Columbus.

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Sigma Alpha Epsilon

True Gentlemen

SAE is North America's largest social fraternity with more than 280,000 initiated members. Fraternal symbols include the lion, the phoenix, Minerva, and the fleur-de-lis. Sigma Alpha Epsilon was the first fraternity to establish a national headquarters, a national Leadership School, a national Men's Health Issues Committee, and a career-development program entitled the Leading Edge. Our Phi Alpha Chapter does an annual "Shave SAE for Charity" and donates the proceeds to a children's charity.

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sigma Epsilon

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The Sigma Epsilon Fraternity is one of the few local fraternities on Saint Leo's campus and was founded in November of 1993. The official colors are purple and red. The fraternity's motto is "Building balanced leaders for the worlds communities" and the National philantropy is National Children's Cancer Society. The current chapter president is Sean Kennedy.

Greek Profile

What is your major?
My major is Biology.

What Greek organization are you apart of?
I have been a part of Kappa Alpha Psi for 2 years now.

What or who motivated you to join a Greek organization?
I saw the example that the founders of the Saint Leo chapter set and was motivated to join. Their principles and morals paralleled mine. The Kappa's also reached out to me more than other fraternities.

What was your experience during the induction process?
It was physically and mentally challenging. It was also time consuming, but it made me arrange my life into a schedule that would allow me to balance my time wisely. People who want to join should be prepared for this because it's a challenging process.

What are the benefits of being a part of a fraternity?
You get more job opportunities. Also being a part of a fraternity counts for leadership and community service on your resumé. Additionally, You become eligible for scholarships from the national Greek society. Besides these, Greek organizations help to make you more disciplined, and it builds self esteem.

Jelani McPhee

SIGMA LAMBDA

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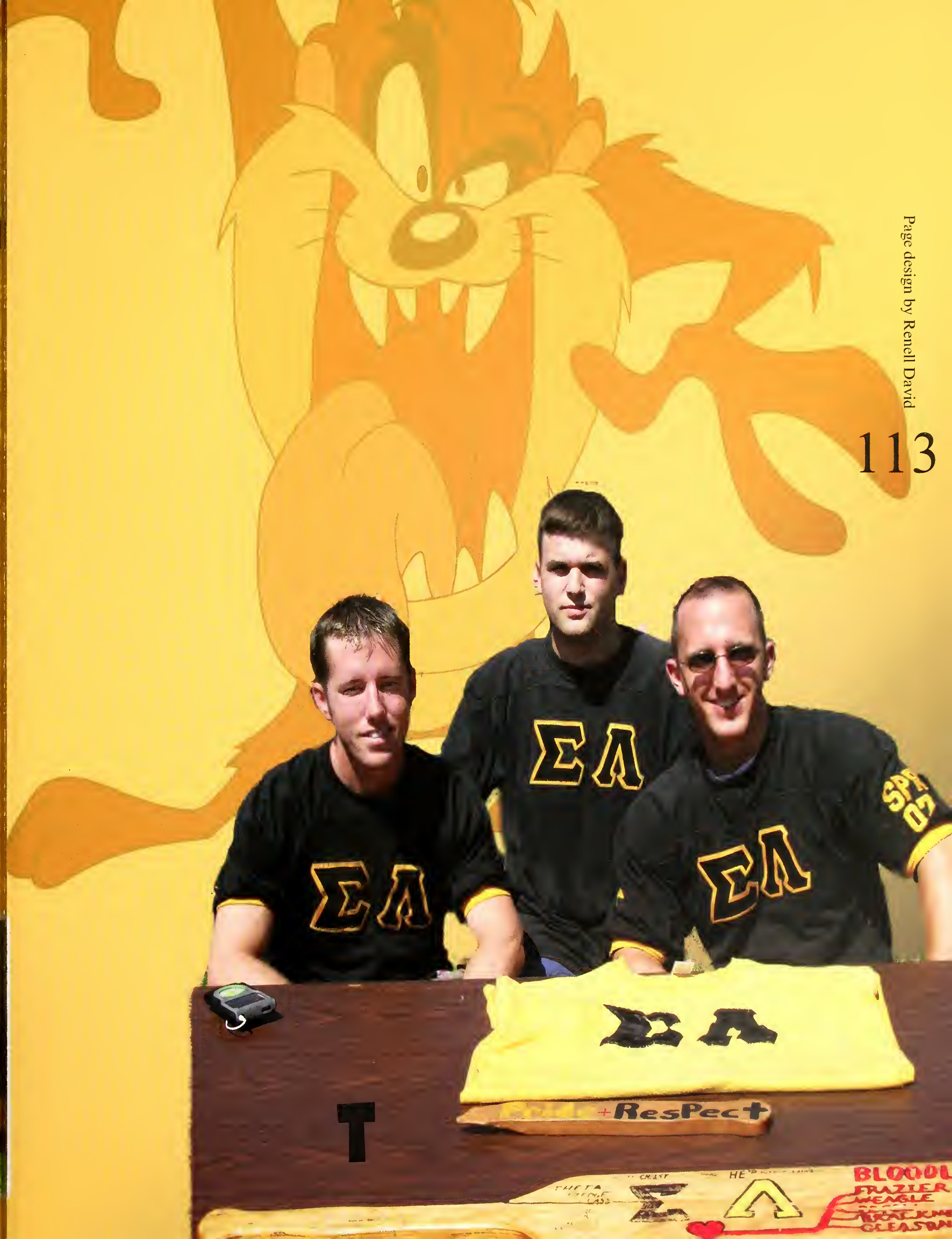
The Sigma Lambda Fraternity was founded on November 10, 1967 on the Saint Leo University campus. The colors are black and gold . The motto is "The Elite" and the national philanthropy is the Boys and Girls Club. The current chapter president is Michael Newman.



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"Active, Self-Reliant, Trustworthy"

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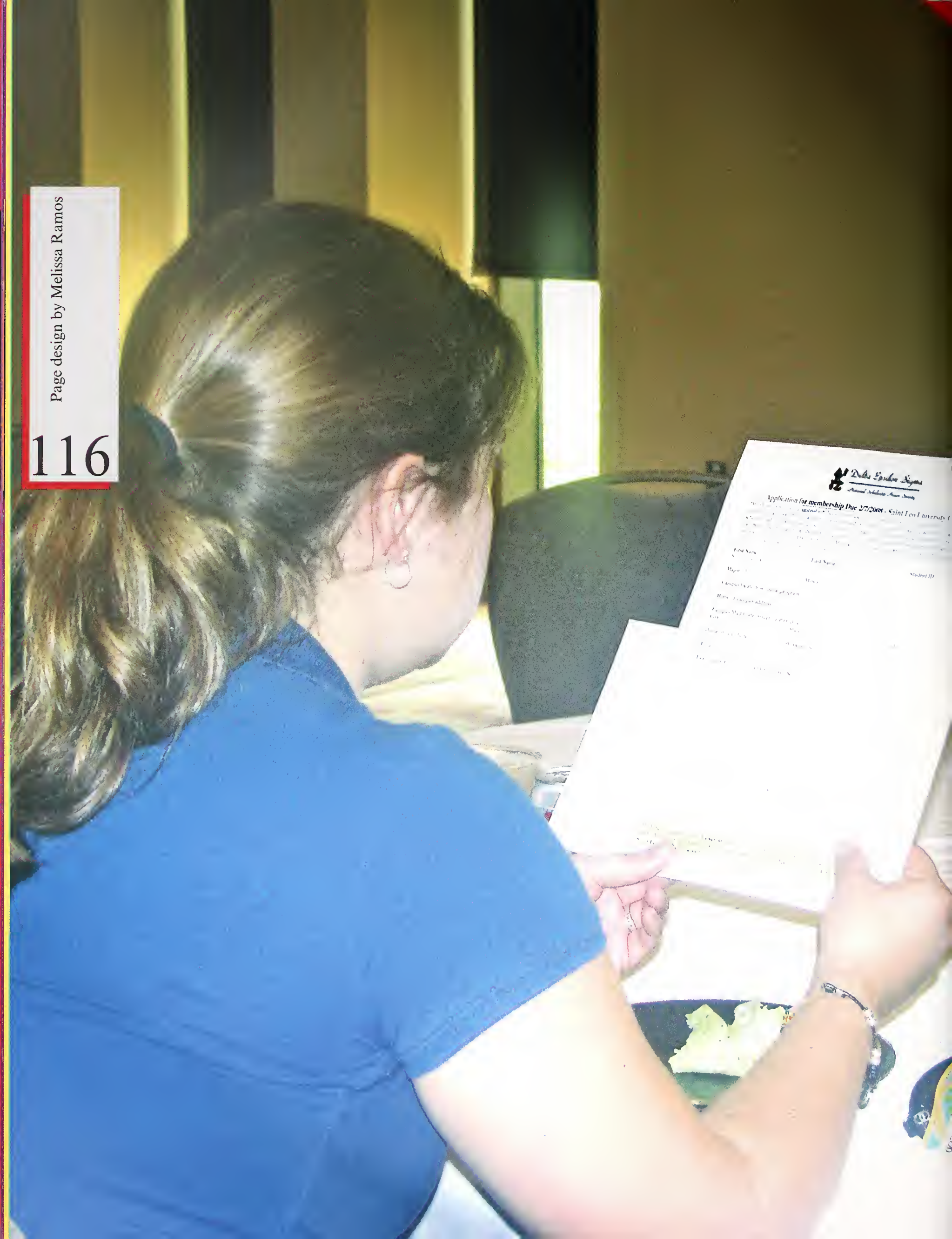

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Delta Epsilon Sigma is a national scholastic honor society for universities with a Catholic tradition. Saint Leo University's chapter, Delta Nu, recognizes the academic excellence of the students on campus, fosters scholarly activities, and encourages a sense of intellectual community among its members. Juniors and seniors with a grade point average of 3.5 or greater are invited to join Delta Epsilon Sigma. Active members of this chapter are eligible for various awards, scholarships, and fellowships through the national office.

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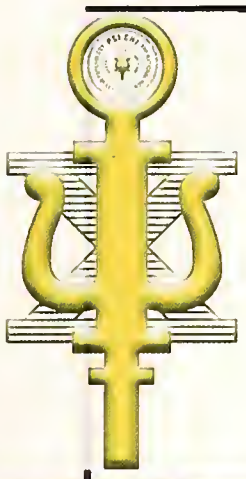

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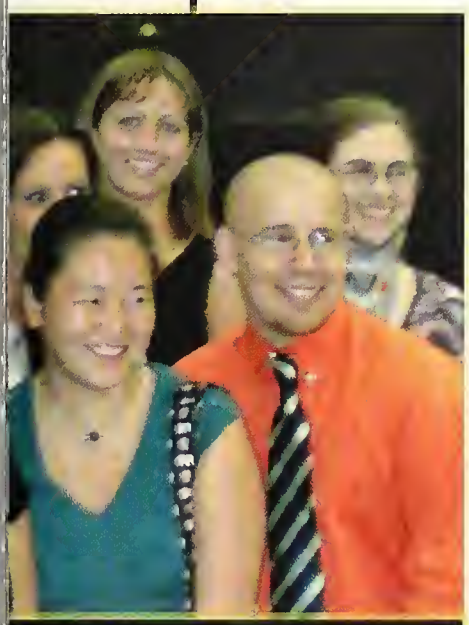

HIGHLIGHT

APA Conference

Ever wonder where the information from the surveys you take in class goes? Well for Chenelia Valerio and Amanda Tatko, their research will be presented at the APA conference. They researched how students at Saint Leo viewed individual with disabilities and their hard work has been rewarded with this opportunity. At the end of summer, Chenelia and Amanda will be in Boston, Massachusetts displaying their information.

TRI BETA

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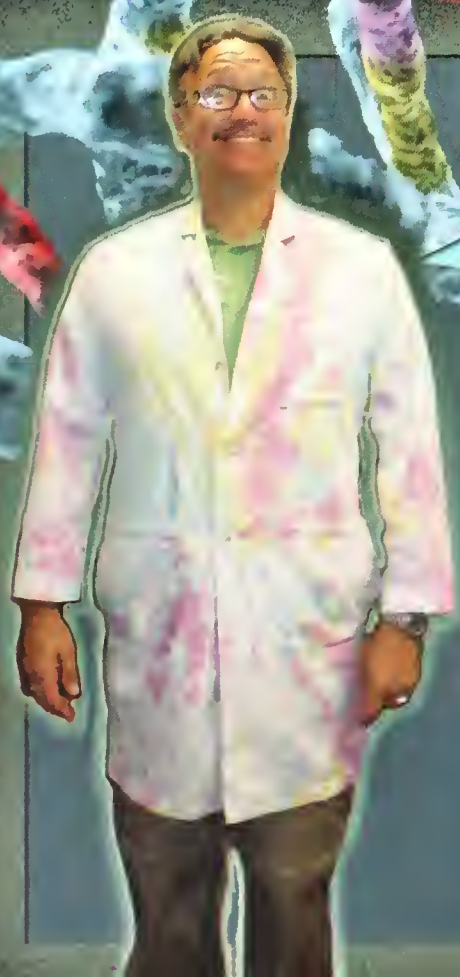

Dr. Tom Arnold

HIGHLIGHT
tye-dye labcoats!

Beta Beta Beta is a society for undergraduates dedicated to improving the understanding and appreciation of biological study and extending boundaries of human knowledge through scientific research. To qualify for induction, one must have a B-average in three or more biology courses, which are not introductory classes. The Sigma Omega chapter at Saint Leo University currently has 40 registered members of which 25 are active. For this school year, tribeta is active in various fundraisers to stimulate interest, scholarly attainment, and investigation in biological sciences.

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PHI THETA KAPPA

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Phi Theta Kappa was started in 1931. There are a total of 11 members at Saint Leo University. The Transfer Honor Society is a two year (community college) transfer student honor society.
This program involves the interaction between many student in many ways. In Phi Theta Kappa they learn leadership skills and services which will help them and sustain them in the rest of their academic excellence process and beyond in life.

At The First Meeting For The Semester

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FOCUS THE NATION

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On January 31, 2008, Saint Leo University was challenged to Focus the Nation. The event was held throughout many schools and universities across the nation to bring focus on the issue of global climate change. The class schedule was shortened in order for students to attend presentations being made by their peers later in the afternoon. Presenters researched how global climate change related to a specific study and presented information from both sides of the issue. The event was followed with a fellowship and poetry reading.

Global Warming Solutions for Saint Leo University

we'll show you how SLU goes GREEN!

Nation wide participation SLU we participated!

What can YOU do to help the environment ?

Hug trees. Don't Litter. Go Green. Smile more. Pick up trash. Turn off your lights when its not needed. Ditch your car on campus, walk to class. Buy organic food. Buy reusable bottles. Buy cloth kitchen towels instead of paper towels and napkins. Buy a plant. Use compact fluorescent light bulbs. Buy used furniture whenever possible. Avoid running water when not in use. Recycle. Reuse. Reduce.

Get involved!

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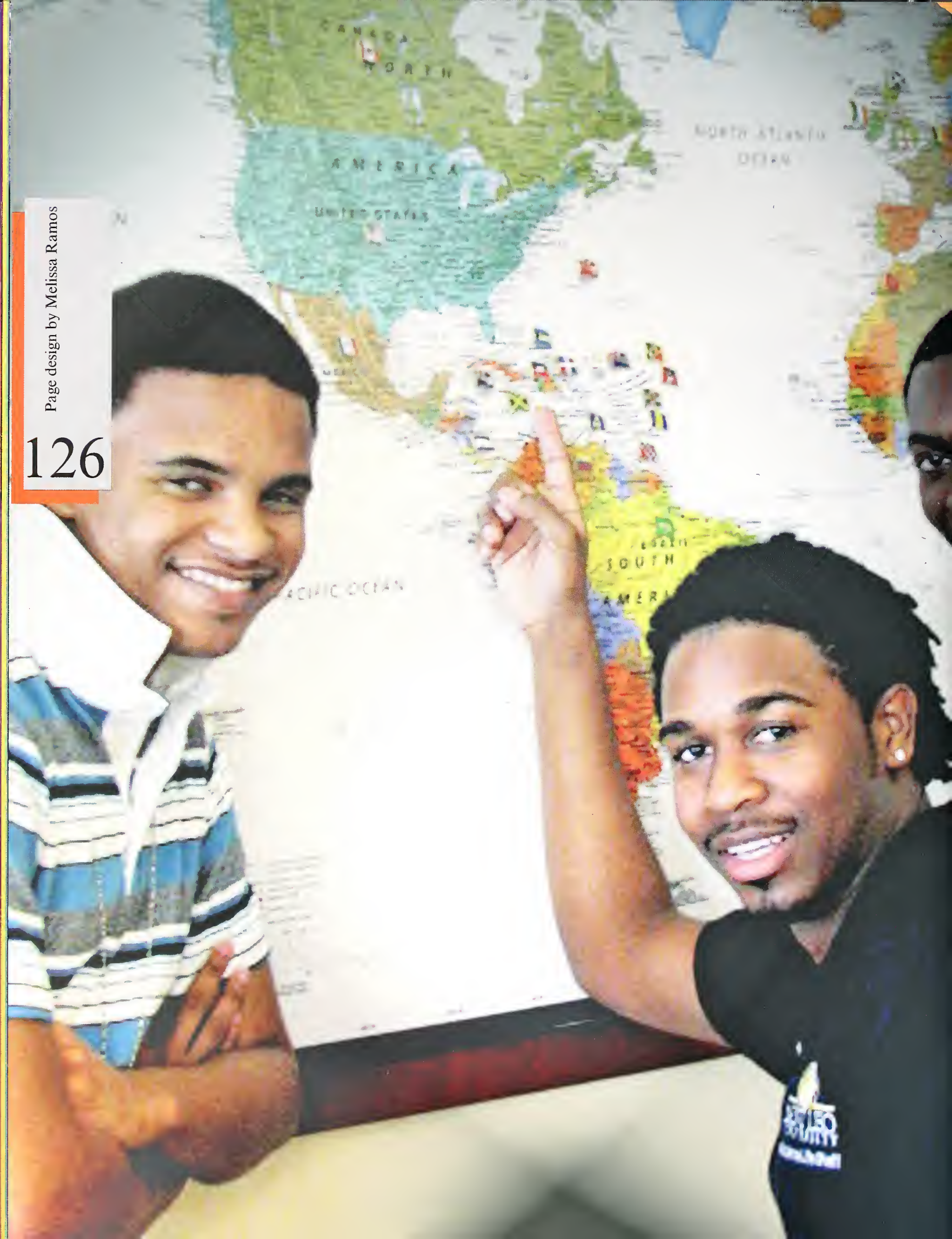

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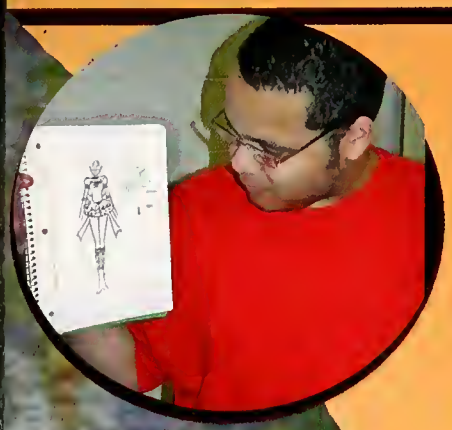

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Student Government Union Executive Board 2007 - 2008

Ana and Justin conducting a SGU Senate meeting.

Ryan and Shaji discussing issues at SGU senate meeting.

Executive President, Justin Donnelly served on last year's Executive Board as V.P. of Activities.

Treasurer, Lauren Tello is currently serving her second consecutive year.

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V.P. of Operation
Shaji Varughese

V.P. of Activities
Ryan Regensdorfer

Secretary
Jennifer D'Angilillo

SGU Advisor
Ana Didonato

American Marketing Association

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"I have been a member of the American Marketing Association for the past three years. The biggest transformation for the club would be that membership has increased by over 50% in the past year. It has always been a challenge for us to recruit members and we have successfully over come that challenge." -- Salome Young, Co-President Fall 2007

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Paintball Club

Members Ryan Regensdorfer and Jeff Bertone out for a day of serious fun on the field with the rest of the paintball club.

CUC was founded in 2005. Currently, the president is currently Mario Jones. The club consists of members from the Caribbean as well as the United States and other countries throughout the world. CUC has co-sponsored events with many other organizations on campus and is known for its lively, educational, and culture centered activities on campus.

Caribbean United Club

Pictured are some of CUC's members at the Bi-Annual Florida Students Conference in Orlando

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CHESS CLUB

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Harmless Rivalry

Concentration

Sweet Victory

Long Lasting Friendships

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SPORTS

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Club of the Year!

MANAGEMENT

ASSOCIATION

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Dynasty Dancers

The Dynasty Dancer's three co-captains preparing for a performance at one of the university's basketball games.

The Spirit of Saint Leo

Don't be surprise that we love dancing so much. After a hard day at school, this is the ultimate stress relief.

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Back (L-R): Joia Sherry, Shayne Maxine Tavares, Khadijah Johnson, Erica Harvey
Front (L-R): Leena Brinae, Krystle Graham Haynes, Melissa Rodriguez, Amber Kimberli Tellis, Lauren Turner, Amera Edwards

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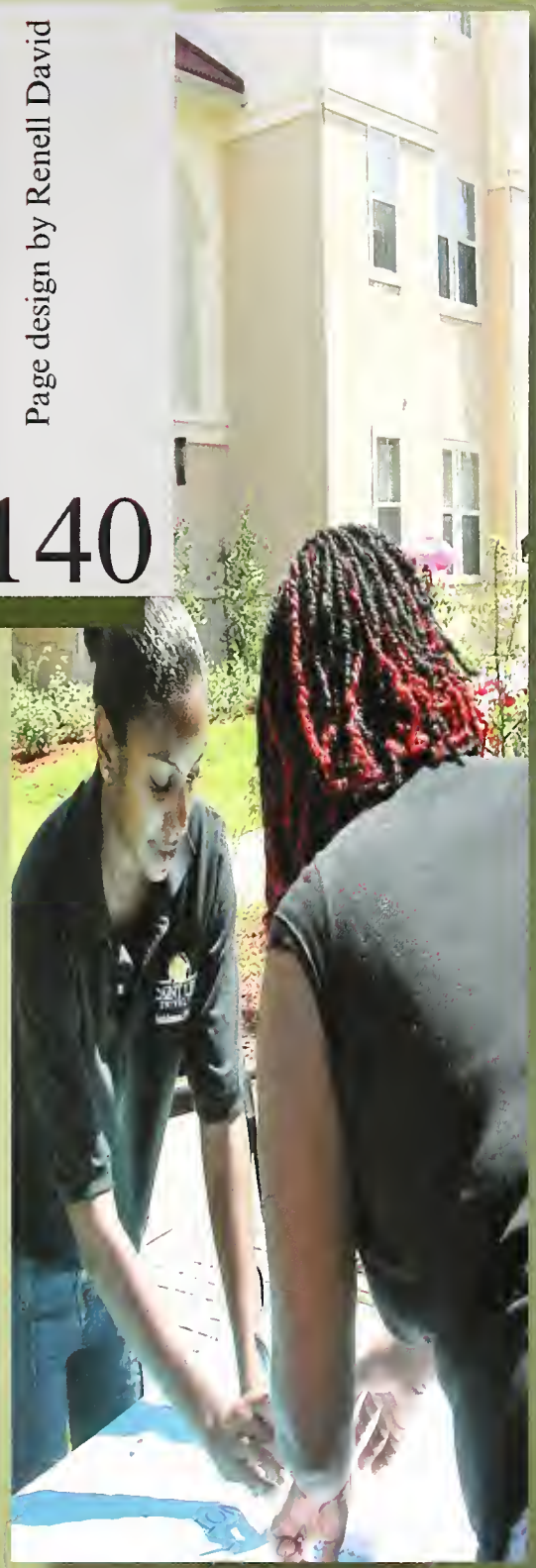

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Channel 95

SLU TV

Activities Fair

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Top Green and Gold Key tour guides Alicia and Maya (Top) are waiting to give a tour as well as a seventh grade tour group hosted by Andre outside of the cafeteria (middle & bottom).

GREEN AND GOLD KEY

Chemistry Club

You see the thing about studying Chemistry is...

...We may want to strangle each other at times.

...Sometimes there's nothing else to do but cry.

...But at the end of the day, we are proud to be chemists!

...We find interesting ways to learn the material.

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Intercultural Student Association

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ISA's Events Highlights

Clockwise: ISA's 1st annual 'Ms. SLU World Pageant' and first annual 'Heart of SLU Award Ceremony' (awarded to Paige Ramsey-Hamacher); ISA and CUC's 'Chill and Grill'; 'Fall Family Festival' booth; 'International Food Night'; and 'Make a Dreamcatcher' in the cafeteria.

Members of the International Tourism Club on a field trip to the Columbia Restaurant in Ybor city with one of its liaison committee members and owner of the Columbia, Casey Gonzmart.

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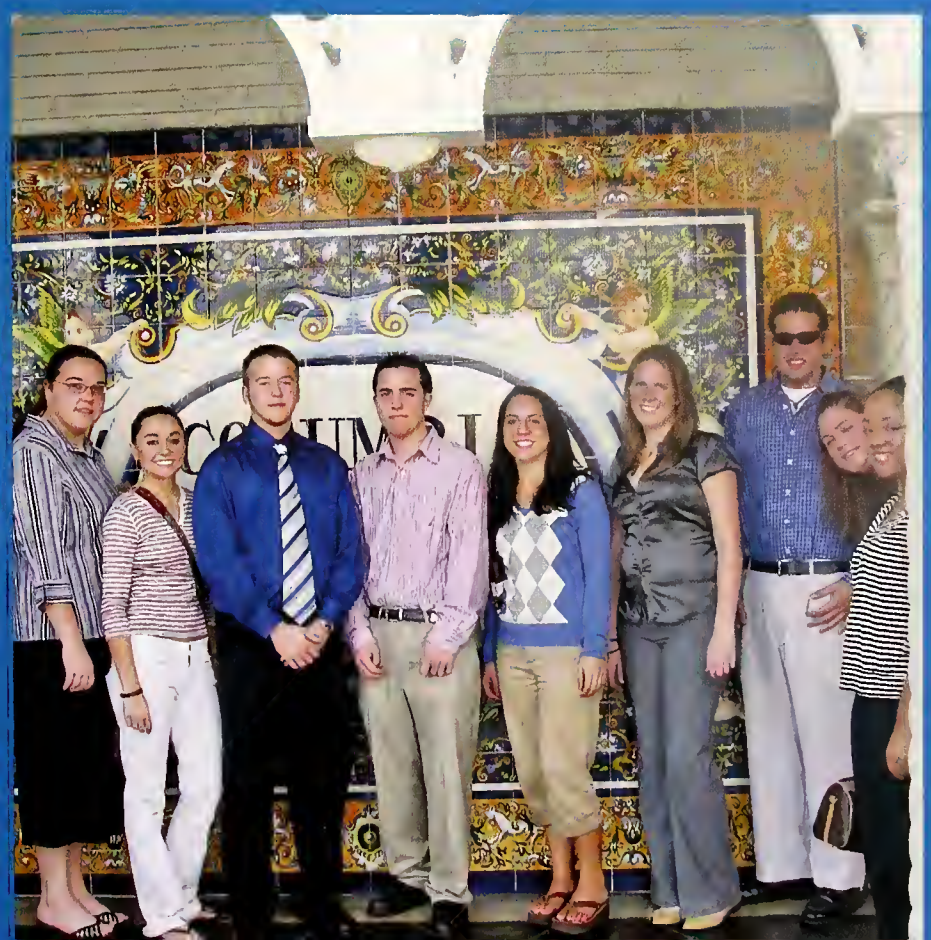
International Tourism Club



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Sunshine Lion's Netball Squad

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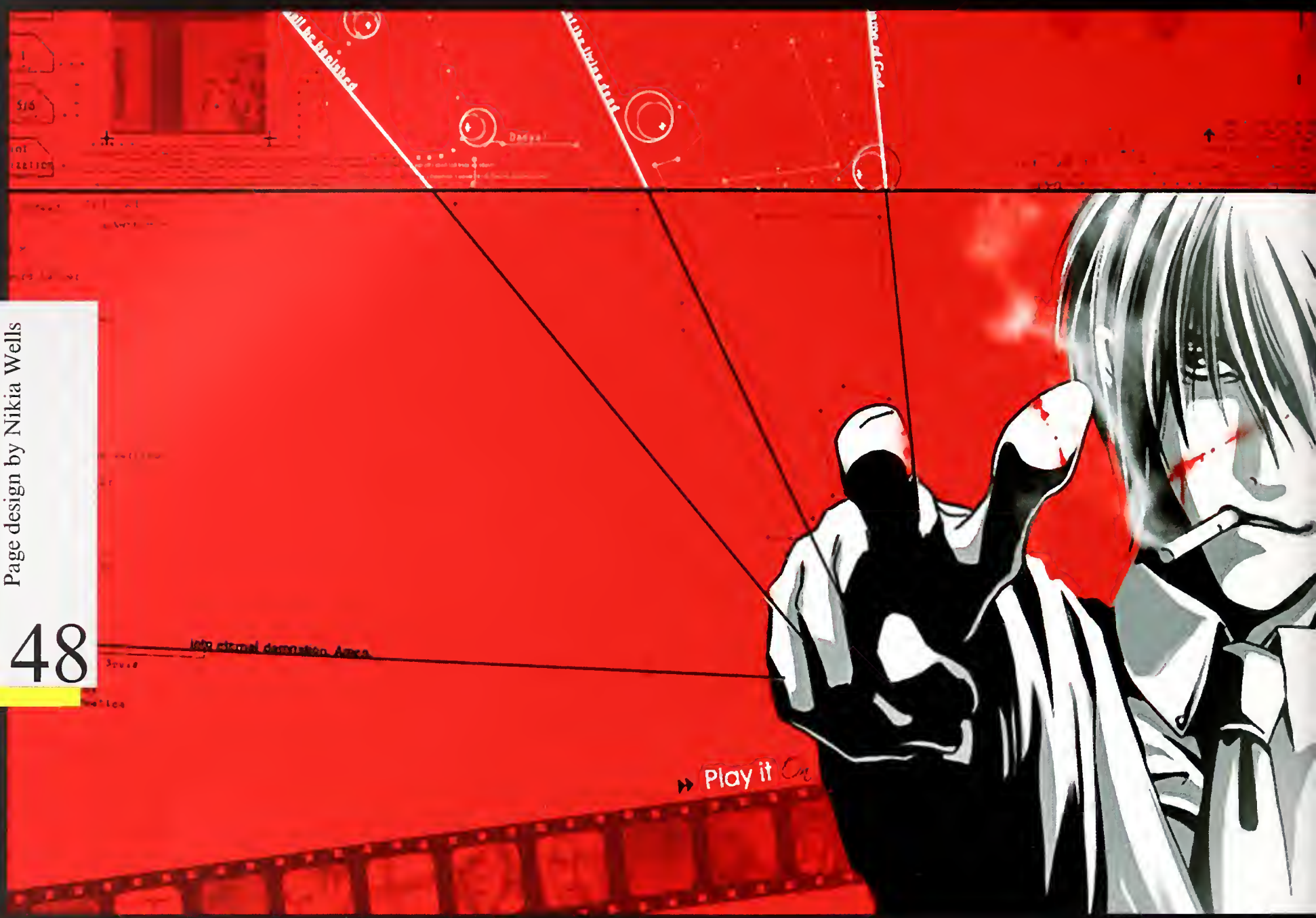

The Anime Club was started in 2004 and continues to have a strong membership with 15-20 active members. Their weekly meetings are filled with action, adventure, romantic rendezvous, and excitment on the television screen.
Every week the club shows different movies, anime music videos, and share anime and manga inspired art. The club also hosts a monthly video game night.

ANIME CLUB

From top to bottom, a group of the club's current members and some of the art work shared at the meetings.

Progressive Black Men

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The Saint Leo Chapter currently has five Progressive Black Men members. These members include Mario Jones, André Curry, Kristen Moultrie, James Cummings, and advisor, Dr. Wilt.

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The Voices of Christ presents . . .

CHILDREN OF EDEN

featuring
Gary Bracken
as God

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Each year, the Drama Ministry at Saint Leo University puts on a spectacular production, and this year the award-winning Children of Eden was chosen. The play featured students from Voices of Christ, Blackwood Dance Studio, St. Anthony's Grammar school, and the V.P. of Admissions, Gray Bracken. It was a two act production of parent-child relationships occurring during the first nine chapters of Genesis. Although the Bible is the source, the play added elements of drama, love, and comedy that grasped the viewer from beginning to end. After a few tears and touched hearts, audiences are anticipating next year's production.

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S.I.S.T.U.H.S.

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Strength. Initiative. Spirituality.

Incorporated

SISTUHS Incoporated was originally founded as S.I.S.T.U.H.S. on December 3, 1992. S.I.S.T.U.H.S. is an acronym that was combined from the words Strength, Initiative, Spirituality, Tenacity, Unity, Health and Substance. The chapter at Saint Leo was founded on November 5, 2006. On December 2, 2007, the members of SISTUHS Incorporated of the Saint Leo chapter welcomed 7 new members to their organization. The new members are; Camia Berry, Daja Brooks, Corinne Brown, Cedricka Carver, Dominique Daniels, Leondra Foster and Trissa Glasgow. The organization now has a total of 18 members.

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Tenacity. Unity. Health. Substance.

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THE GOOD LIFE

In 2008 the Oscars had alot of movies no one ever heard of ....

What's Hot In 2007 - 2008

Experienced the resignation of one of the most infamous political leaders of our time....Fidel Castro

And actually had a cafeteria that we wanted to eat in.

Obama vs. Clinton

Party Like a Rockstar!

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This year we partied like Rockstars... Watched countless reality TV shows because of the Writer's Strikes..... Hoped Britney would make her big comeback....Watched Rihanna get a new haircut and had everyone singing ella ella ella a.....Got caught up with Kanye vs 50...Became Superbad and fell in love with Juno...Got sick watching Cloverfield and loved every minute of it....Said no to rehab again and again....

Said goodbye to one of our generation's shining actors... And actually focused on who was running for President of the of the United States.

Olympics 2008 Beijing

Heath Ledger
R.I.P. 1979-2008

CAB Campus Activities Board

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Clockwise from Top:
Fall Family Festival, CAB
Snow Day, Winter Formal.

Events CAB has done this year include:

Trip to Wet And Wild
Spider-Man 3 movie
10 seconds will change your life
Bingo Night
Tampa Bay Devil Rays
CAB Muvico Trip
Think Fast
Fall Family Festival
SLU Talent Show
Welcome Back Bash
Howl-O-Scream
Halo 3 tournament
Snow Day
Winter Formal
Deal or no Deal
Tampa Bay Lighting Game
Halloween Horror Nights

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Going Places...Want A Ride?
CAB can take you where you want to go.

At Saint Leo, there are many opportunities to give back to the community.

November 12, 2007

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Community

Monastary

San Antonio Park

Royal Oaks

"When I first came to Saint Leo, I was amazed at the morals professors encouraged students to uphold. Although, morals such as integrity, personal responsibility, and caring for our environment were eroding from our society, Saint Leo took a strong stance for these. I hope that this will not be lost over the years." -- Renell David

January 21, 2008

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Service

His Store House

Habitat Restoration

Catholic Charities

Fall Family Festival

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Come one, come all, to the Fall Family Festival!

For one afternoon, the bowl changed into the setting for "A Whole New World." Family and friends were invited to the Fall Festival to reconnect with their Saint Leo student and enjoy the festivities. There were live animals for the viewing public as well as a camel ride. The action/adventurous types could climb the rock wall or participate in an "American Gladiators" style joust. For those seeking a good laugh or entertainment, the Fall Family Festival provided a comedian, belly dancers, and a jousting tournament. Along with a live band, caricature artist, free food, and a variety of booths to stop by, there was something that everyone could enjoy.

. . . A Whole New World !

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Food for Thought

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Students and faculty from Saint Leo University took part in their monthly Food for Thought event. This event took place at Columbia Restaurant in Ybor City on November 16, 2007. The attendees were in store for a night of Spanish dining and entertainment. The night started off with Flamingo dancers and included audience participation. Then, the student and faculty were treated to Cuban cuisine to fill their appetites. With a wonderful experience like this, attendees will be going back to Columbia again.

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THE REAL WORLD

SAINT LEO STYLE

OTV

ORIENTATION TEAM VISION

New Student Orientation

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Winter

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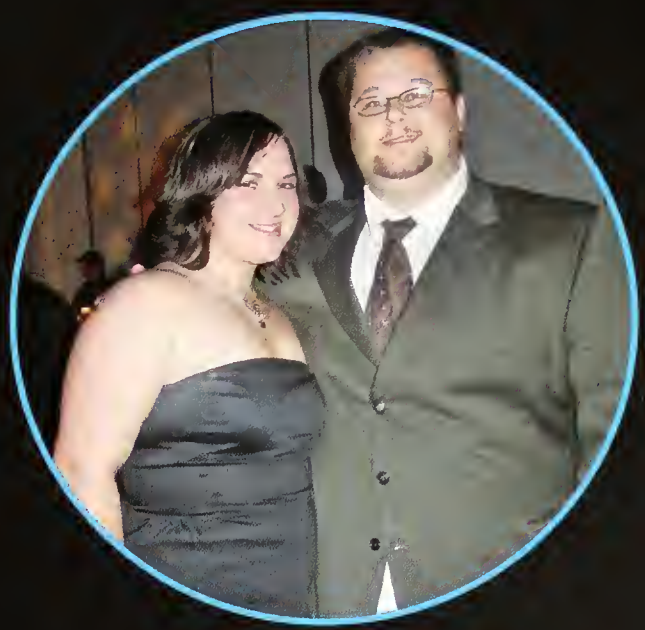
Wonderland!



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Winter Formal 2007

From diapers to diplomas

Guess Who?

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1. Asolin Nesoon

6. Relein Divad

3. Hamir Disirs

5. Aamadn eLe

2. Jiefenrn Rorigeduz

4. Palao Aujroa

10. Milne Kraajdvo

9. Ainvo Kosrti

8. Traeinr Lizoa

12. Rdoeani Fusenrog

11. Reenhne Hebrtre

7. Mcaileh Faisnic

1. Alison Noeson, 2. Jennifer Rodriguez, 3. Hiram Drissi, 4. Paola Araujo, 5. Amanda Lee
6.Renell David, 7. Micheal Fascina, 8. Terrina Lazio, 9.Avion Kristo, 10. Milen karadjov, 11. Rhenese Herbert, 12. Rodeina Ferguson

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AMANDA BUCKLEY

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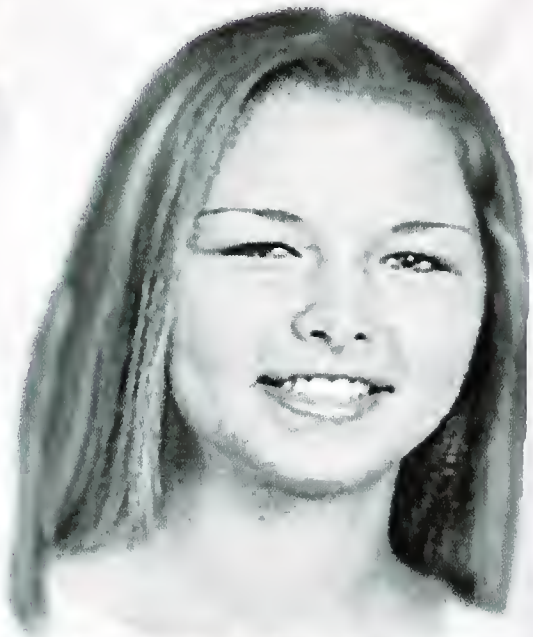

18 YEAR OLD
SOFTBALL PLAYER
CLASS OF 2011

Amanda died on July 20, 2007. This was only a few weeks before she would begin her freshman semester at Saint Leo University; since she had already gone through the excitement of orientation. She was remembered in a Convocation Mass celebrated on 6 September in the Abbey Church at Saint Leo University. Her memory also lives on in Palm Beach Florida where a softball stadium is being built in her honor. The "Amanda Buckley Memorial Field of Dreams Memorial Stadium and Training Facility" serves to remind us of the precious life which was lost.

...WORTH 2008 ROARS